

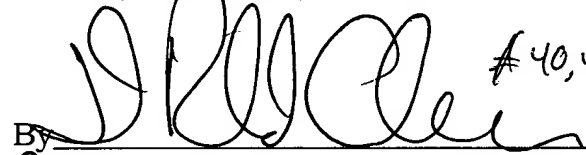


- ☐ Petition for ( ) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
- ☒ No fee is required.
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Appl. No.: 09/802,944 Group: 2621  
Filed: March 12, 2001 Examiner: Duy M. DANG  
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DECODING UNIT

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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April 15, 2005

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated January 25, 2005, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

Amended Claim Set; and

Remarks.